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**PULL
HULK. PULL—IF
THE JET PLANES
CATCH US WE'RE
FINISHED!**

**YOU'RE DOOMED
ANYWAY... AS THE
LIVING-BATTERY
FOR MY BUG-SHIP!**



WEEKLY

GOLDBUG FINDS HULK TOO HOT TO HANDLE!

THE INCREDIBLE HULK



VICTIM OF GAMMA RADIATION
BRUCE BANNER NOW FINDS
HIMSELF TRANSFORMED IN TIMES
OF STRESS INTO THE MOST POWERFUL
CREATURE EVER TO WALK THE
EARTH!

GOLDBUG PLANS TO USE HULK'S
GAMMA POWER TO SPEED HIS SHIP
TO THE LOST CITY OF EL DORADO...
TO STEAL THE FABLED TREASURE OF
THE ARTECS!

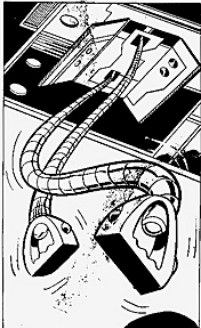


LOOK, I REALIZE THAT
THIS ISN'T YOUR USUAL
MODE OF COMBAT, HULK--
BUT--!

OH, NO! THAT
EMERGENCY
SIGNAL--IT
MEANS THE
POWER
LEVELS ON
MY SHIP HAVE
DROPPED
DANGEROUSLY
LOW.

RIGHT ON
SCHEDULE!

THE PLANES
WILL STOP US,
HULK--BEAT
US--UNLESS
YOU HELP ME
AT ONCE!



STERN + S. BUGCEMA/ESPOSITO

QUICKLY, HULK! GRAB HOLD OF THOSE
POWER CABLES AND YOUR STRENGTH--
YOUR ENERGY--WILL FELD DIRECTLY
INTO THE SHIP'S SYSTEMS--THEN
WE CAN BEAT THOSE JETS!



IT'LL BE
JUST LIKE YOU
WERE SMASHING
THEM YOURSELF!

IT...
WILL!



YES, HULK--YES!
YOU'RE THE STRONGEST
ONE THERE IS, RIGHT?
THEN YOU MUST
PROVE IT--GRAB
THOSE POWER
GRIPS!

HESITANTLY, THE PUZZLED HULK TAKES
HOLD OF THE ODD HANDLES...



...AND, INSTANTLY
THE CABIN IS FILLED
WITH A BLINDING LIGHT
THAT SEEMS TO ENA-
MELE FROM THE MAN--
MONSTER HIMSELF!



AND OUTSIDE...

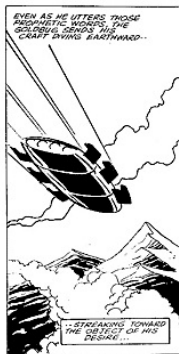
DON'T LOOK NOW, COMMANDER
QUARTERMAN, BUT OUR BOOBY
JUST LIT UP LIKE THE FOURTH
OF JULY! WHAT DO YOU
MAKE OF IT?

I DON'T
KNOW, BUT IN
READY FOR...

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THERE IS SOMETHING COMPELLING ABOUT THIS SLENDER APPARITION WHICH CAUSES US TO MUST KNOWLEDGE VALLEY. THE LINES ON HIS FACE BETRAY A LIFETIME OF STIC SUFFERING.



AND WHEN HE SPEAKS, HIS VOICE REVEALS A TONE OF ENLIGHTENMENT. A TONE ONE MIGHT ALMOST CALL... HOLY.



PRIESTS! PRIESTS KNEW THAT HE WOULD COME! HOW?



THEIR WAYS ARE BEYOND THE REACH OF THIS POOR AGONY. THOUGH LIKE YOURSELF, WE WIELD GREAT POWER.

THEY?

NO... NO... NOT THEY... COULDN'T BE THEY...



HUH... GOLD-BUG KNOWS SOMETHING ABOUT THESE PRIESTS. THEY MUST BE HULK'S ENEMIES. THE TIME HAS COME, HULK. WILL YOU ENTER OUR CITY?

YES... HULK WILL COME



FOLLOW THEM, AND LET THE CITY RECEIVE YOU... AND BRING US PEACE.

PEACE. HAH! IF HULK'S ENEMIES ARE BEHIND THIS, THEN THE CITY WILL BE ANOTHER TRAP.



WHY ELSE WOULD IT BE HIDDEN IN MIST?

BUT HULK WILL LOSE HIS ENEMIES. HULK WILL ENTER THE TRAP... AND SINCE HULK IS HIDE...



...HULK WILL SMASH THE TRAP... SMASH THE CITY... SMASH EVERYTHING...

NEXT THEY REVEALED AMID THE SPLENDOR OF... EL DORADO!

THE QUEST FOR KING ARTHUR BEGINS ANEW!

THE BLACK KNIGHT

MERLYN THE MYSTIC HAS RESTORED THE WOUNDED CAPTAIN BRITAIN TO LIFE, AND HEARD FROM HIM AN INCREDIBLE STORY, IMPLYING THAT THE SPIRIT OF THE LEGENDARY KING ARTHUR STILL LIVES! THE BLACK KNIGHT HAS LISTENED IN WONDER, BUT CAN REMAIN SILENT NO MORE...

YOU HAVE TOLD US YOUR STORY -- OF THE EVENTS THAT ENDED WITH YOUR LOSS OF IDENTITY --

BUT THERE IS STILL MUCH TO BE EXPLAINED!

TRULY -- THOUGH I HAVE LISTENED TO EVERYTHING -- AND EVEN BEEN A PART OF THE ADVENTURE --

THERE IS STILL A GREAT DEAL I CANNOT FATHOM!

PATIENCE -- ALL WILL BE REVEALED -- BATHER ROUND MOONDOCK -- SUNKNORN, AND ALL THE REST OF YOU --

FOR THOUGH THE SLVES HAVE HEARD THIS BEFORE, MERLYN WILL NOW TELL HIS PART OF THE STORY!

PARKHOUSE • HEARY/STOKES

THE HEART OF THE MATTER IS SIMPLY THIS -- SINCE THE DAWN OF TIME, THE NETHERLORD NECROMON HAS SOUGHT DOMINION OF THE THREE REALMS --

BUT ALWAYS HE IS THWARTED!

FOR IN EVERY AGE A GREAT HERO HAS ARISEN TO DRIVE THE EVIL HORDES BACK TO NETHERWORLD --

AND THE GREATEST HERO OF ALL WAS THE LEGENDARY KING ARTHUR!!

"HIS KNOWLEDGE WENT FAR BEYOND MORTAL MATTERS -- PISCING THE TIMBLESS MYST OF OTHERWORLD --

DIVING MUCH OF ELFIN LORE AND THE WAYS OF ANCIENT MEN --

"EACH TIME THE WORDS OF NECROMON BURST FORTH TO THREATEN THE WORLD -- THERE WAS ARTHUR AND HIS TRUSTED WARRIORS IN THE FOREFRONT OF BATTLE -- EVER VICTORIOUS!"





NEXT WEEK: ENTER NECROMON AND THE EVIL WALKERS!



MARVEL

BULLPEN BULLETINS



SEZ DEZ

Last week in this column, I gave you a rundown on the inhabitants of the British bullpen. Well, just about everybody else has been wandering around with dejected looks on their faces ever since.

So, I thought it would be a nice idea (if only to keep everybody happy) to do the same for a few of our freelance contributors.

But to take things a step at a time, I'd better keep everybody out there in the picture by telling you exactly what a "freelance" contributor actually is!



Doctor Who drawn by Dave Gibbons

The word freelance dates way, way back, and originally meant exactly what it sounds like. In the long-gone days of knights in shining armour and chivalry, wandering warriors looking for hire would be known as free-lances, with their weapons and selves free for hire. In our times, the word has been extended to other professions, in our case with freelance writers and artists, who are not office workers on salaries, but rather contributors who work from home for

various companies, and are paid for their actual finished work rather than their time.

Such a man is Marvel's latest art recruit, dashing Dave Gibbons ("Funky" to his friends - but only when they're out of his reach!).



Nick Fury drawn by Steve Dillon

Dave's first comic strip work was back in 1970 when he illustrated a few short stories and an epic 11-part science fiction strip for a comic fan magazine (or fanzine for short) edited by somebody with the unlikely name of Dez Skinn.

His first professional work wasn't drawing however, it was lettering! A one page humour strip for *Cor!*

From this less-than-epic start, Dave was spurred on to even greater heights, and has since worked for all the major British comics publishers, and had his first superhero challenge in drawing a comic called *Powernman* for South Africa.

But going full circle, following his popular work on *2000 AD* - over at the Plumber's lot, Dave's now drawing epic 8-part science fiction strips on *Doctor Who Weekly*, edited by that same strange-named character.

Steve "Sheriff" Dillon, on the other hand, is the wonderboy of Marvel. At the tender age of 17, he first appeared with his art samples. Within two weeks, he had

drawn up his first strip - a three page Hulk adventure which appeared in Green-skin's own weekly, second issue.

From there he went on to illustrating Nick Fury's adventures for the first 20 issues of *Hulk Comic*. He's now tied up with Cybermen, Time Lords and Ogrons for *Doctor Who Weekly*, as well as drawing some yet-to-be-published adventures of the astonishing Ant-Man.



Black Knight drawn by John Stokes

Stoic John Stokes, on the other hand, is one of Britain's most established artists. Brother of George (Wes Slade - Sunday Express) Stokes, John's range of achievements included such diverse comic strips as Fishboy, Star Trek and Marney the Fox before he turned his hand to the world of fantasy adventure in *The Black Knight*, which he has been drawing (over Paul Neary's layouts) since the first issue of *Hulk Comic*.

John was victim to a bad fall recently, which put him out of commission for several weeks, but now - as all Black Knight fans know - he's back at the drawing board once more!

Next time around, I'll give you more inside info on our creative crew, plus a few inside facts about comics creating.

Be here!

Dez Skinn
Dez Skinn/Editor.

SOLDIER ANTS GATHER TO SAVE THE LIFE OF...

ANT-MAN!

ANT-MAN IS FLEEING FOR HIS LIFE FROM THE WASP, TRANSFORMED BY CHEMICALS INTO A RAGING KILLER!









**IS THE WASP
BACK TO NORMAL?
IS ANT-MAN FREE
FROM DANGER?
READ ON IN
HULK COMIC
NEXT WEEK!**

WHERE CAJOLERY HAS FAILED...LET CARNAGE SUCCEED!



MEPHISTO BIDS TO WIN THE SURFER'S SOUL BY PROMISING HIM WEALTH AND POWER BEYOND MORTAL DREAMS OF AWFIRE...



I SEE YOU ARE UNMOVED!

NEVER COULD MEPHISTO COMPREHEND THE STRANGE EMOTION MEN CALL LOVE!

BUT NO MATTER! THERE ARE OTHER GIFTS THAT MAY BE YOURS!

DO BUT SAY THE WORD--AND A GALACTIC EMPIRE SHALL DO ALL YOU WISH--FOREVER--MORE!

FOOL! EVEN THE PATIENCE OF MEPHISTO IS NOT WITHOUT A LIMIT!

THE SPIRIT OF THE SILVER SURFER CANNOT BE BOUGHT WITH GLISTENING BAUBLES!

NOW, WHERE CAJOLERY HAS FAILED--LET CARNAGE SUCCEED!

AT MY COMMAND, LET THE ROCKS THEMSELVES TAKE FORM--TAKE FORM--AND DO MY BIDDING!

LEE & J. BUSCEMAN SINNOT



THEY ATTACK FROM ALL SIDES!

THEY SEEK TO ENGULF ME--EMBRACE ME--IN A LIVING TRAP!



NOW THEIR BODIES TURN TO ROCK--ONCE MORE!

QUICKLY! OBSCURE ONE! YOUR SOUL--OR YOUR LIFE!

NEITHER SHALL YOURS!



NOT WHILE THIS POWER COSMIC STILL IS MINE!



NO MATTER HOW MANY ESCAPES YOU MAY ACHIEVE--

EACH WILL LEAVE YOU WEAKER--AND WEAKER--



I HAVE BUT
TO WILL IT--
AND YOUR
DOOM IS ASSURED!



MY DOOM,
PERHAPS--

BUT
NEVER MY
SURRENDER!



BACK,
LOATHSOME
DEMON
FROM THE
STYGMAN
DEPTHS!!

I WILL NOT
SLAY A MAN--
WHILE THE KING
STANDS THIS
MAJESTY!

THEN
WOUND
YOU I
SHALL!

BUT, IF
WOUND
YOU I
MUST--



WITH YOU
ONCE MORE
BENEATH
MY FEET--
OUR SPEED
SHALL SERVE
INSTEAD OF
STRENGTH.

TO ME,
MY BLIND
BOARD!



AND, IF DIE
I MUST--
LET IT BE
AS I HAVE
LIVED--

JOERING--
SWEET AND
SILENT--
STIVING FOR
THE RIGHT--
NO MATTER
WHAT THE
COST!



WORDS!
EMPTY
WORDS--

THEY
CANNOT
MATCH MY
DEMONIC
DEEDS!



NOT EVEN
FLIGHT CAN
SAVE YOU--
WHEN
MERNISTO
STRIKES!



AND, HAVING
SEEN THE
POWER OF
YOUR
COSMIC
BLAST--



I MADE
CERTAIN TO
SHIELD HIS
REPTILIAN
HIDE!



NOW, ONCE AGAIN--
FOR THE FINAL
TIME--THE CHOICE
IS YOURS--

THE CHOICE
BETWEEN GOOD
AND EVIL--IS
MADE BY ALL
WHO LIVE--
WITH EVERY
SINGLE
HEARTBEAT!

THE
FINAL
TIMES
NEVER!

AND, SO LONG AS
SHILLA ~~WILL~~
REMAINS YOUR
CAPTIVE--NEED THESE
WARRIOR NEPHEWS!



THE
SURFER
SHALL
NOT
FALL!



EVEN YOU HAVE
BEEN GUILTY OF A
GRIEVOUS
OVERSIGHT--

NEVER HAVE I
HATED ANY
MORTAL BEING--

AS I NOW
HATE YOU!

SUCH AS
SHIELDING
THE MONSTER'S
HIDE--

WHILE LEAVING
HIM MOST
VULNERABLE--
DEEP WITHIN!

BUT, DEFEAT ME
AS YOU
WILL--

THE
PRIZE
SHALL
STILL BE
MINE!



IF BATTLE WE
MUST, LET IT BE
THE TWO OF US!
WHAT MANNER
OF BEING ARE
YOU--TO STAND
ALONE--WHILE
HAPLESS
CREATURES
FIGHT IN YOUR
BEHALF?

I
ANSWER
TO NONE!



AND I--THE
SILVER
SURFER!

I
SURRENDER
TO NONE!



WHAT?!!
YOU THINK
YOURSELF
MY
EQUAL??

I HAVE
TILL
NOW BUT
TOOKED
WITH YOU!!

AND IF
FURTHER
PROOF
WAS
NEEDED--



THEN
LET IT
NOW
APPEAR!!

AWESOME,
AMORPHIC
SHAPES--
ENVELOPING
THEM--
SELVES
ABOUT
ME--!





NEXT **THE MIGHTY THOR!**



HULK TALK!

HULK TALK, MARVEL COMICS, 205-211 KENTISH TOWN ROAD,
LONDON NW5

Dear Sirs,

I'm really glad that you finally gave us the origin of Captain Britain in Hulk Comic. I have all the issues so far - they're on order from my newsagent!

I look forward to the fight between Hulk and Machine Man.

R. Johnston, Cumbernauld.

Dear Guys,

I'm glad you've brought back the original Marvel-style Hulk stories to Hulk Comic.

But, even though Hulk is good, I like Captain Britain/Black Knight best, as well as the Defenders and Ant-Man. I'm not so keen on Nick Fury, though.

Please bring back Night-Reven.

Matthew McCann, Manchester.

Night-Reven fans will be pleased to hear that we've a whole feature on our mysterious manhunter coming up in FOOO 23 - watch out for announcements!

Dear Stan Lee,

Hulk Comic is my second best comic. I'm glad you have given the Defenders a comic strip.

Why not have an article on super-villains or give a super-villain his own comic strip?

Here are my marks for Hulk Comic:

Hulk: 9/10. Getting worse. It really needs a monster (or monsters). How about a battle against the Thing?

Black Knight: 9/10. I've nothing to say about it.

Captain Britain: 10/10. Best story.

Ant-Man: 9/10. Getting a lot better.

Nick Fury: 6/10: Bad!

Eternals: 3/10. I'm glad it's gone.

Defenders: 10/10. Magic! Keep it up!

Why don't you have a four week poster of Hulk and Captain Britain?

Peter Cole, Chelmsford.

You realise, Robert, that you've given us all sleepless nights now. How? Simply by telling us that Hulk Comic is your second favourite but NOT telling us what your favourite comic is! Sometimes you Marvelites can be an unfeeling bunch!

Dear Dez and Co.,

I think you know that Hulk Comic is great, superb... but not quite fantastic. I think you could do with a few changes. Here are my ideas.

First, drop Ant-Man. His stories are getting duller each week. Replace him with the new-style Captain Britain.

Then you could add an extra eight pages, change the title to *The Incredible Hulk Weekly*.

The price needn't go up, you've already done it with Spider-Man!

Noel Stokes, Dublin.

Ok, Noel, the game's up. Drop Ant-Man and replace him with the new-style Captain Britain. Shame on you. It's more than obvious you're related to Captain Britain artist JOHN Stokes. Really, John, of all the ideas... getting your cousin to write in to us demanding we give you more pages!



Dear Dez'll fix it(I),

Can you please fix for a fight between Hulk and Thor or Hulk and Silver Surfer, or even Hulk and Superman.

Kivan Parmar, Leicester.

Uh-a,uh-a,uh-a. Well, howzabout that then, guys 'n' gals, reader Kivan wants a battle royale. Right, then... he may have got his wires cross with his first line, but, the answer is YES... at least to the first two ideas, which will be appearing soon in this very magazine.

But, Kivan... you'd better write to James S. about that third one! OK?

Dear Marvel,

I think Hulk Comic is very good, and the story I liked most was when Hulk fought the Eternals.

Jeremy Dickinson, Abingdon.

Dear Hulk Comic,

HAPPY 40th BIRTHDAY! You know when they say life begins.

Here's to the 50th!

L. D. Smith, Loughborough.

Dear Marvel,

I am writing to you because I liked Captain Britain in his own comic, and I got it every week. But since it stopped I hadn't thought about it until I saw him in Hulk Comic issue 4. Now I'm mad on Cap again, and I would like it very much if you could again let him have a comic of his own!

Joel Corrigan, Sunningdale.

If enough Marvelites agree with you, Joel, we could always give Captain Britain a spin in our "Superhero Spotlight" feature in our Marvel Superheroes Monthly. So let's hear it from Marvel-dom Assembled!

Dear Dez,

I'm a newcomer to Marvel, and I would like to say thank you for producing two super Marvel comics: Hulk Comic and Spectacular Spider-Man Weekly.

As regards Hulk Comic 30, my favourite story is Hulk and Captain America team-up, closely followed by The Black Knight, which both have great storylines.

There is a question I would like to ask: Who is strongest out of Hulk, Silver Surfer and Superman?

Stuart Harpham, Billingham.

Another one! Stuart, take a look at the answer to Kivan Parmar's letter above. Oh, and welcome to Marvel, tiger!

...Dez Skinn/Editor

THE BATTLE BEGINS - RED RAJAH AGAINST...

THE DEFENDERS

THE MYSTERIOUS RED KNIGHT HAS KIDNAPED THE POPULATION OF NEW YORK WITH THE GEAR KNOWN AS THE STRIKE OF CRIPSTON... THREE OF THE DEFENDERS HAVE FALLEN TO HIS POWER.

RIGHT NOW, THE RED RAJAH CONTINUES TO ATTRACT A STEADY STREAM OF HYPERVITIALIZED MANKIND.

A WORLD IN WHICH INDIVIDUAL WILL IS ABOLISHED... PUT THESE ONCE-DEFIANT DEFENDERS DOWN OVER THERE--



--AND I SHALL SHOW YOU AN ENLIGHTENING DISPLAY OF COMPLETE COOPERATION. OBSERVE!



HULK! HEAR ME!



YOUR TWO FRIENDS ARE EVIL.

THEY MUST BE DISCIPLINED!



WAK!

KRAK!

STRIKE, HULK--

ALREADY YOUR MIND IS IN PERFECT ACCORD WITH MY OWN!



YOU STRUCK ONLY TO STUN... NOT TO KILL! THAT IS GOOD--

--FOR WE SHALL SOON HAVE NEED OF YOUR FELLOW DEFENDERS. I AM SURE.



TAKE A BOW, HULK!

YOU HAVE ILLUSTRATED A LESSON THAT ALL MUST LEARN--UNQUESTIONING OBEDIENCE TO THE WILL OF THE MAJORITY.



A WORLDWIDE MAJORITY--



REPRESENTED BY THE RED RAJAH!

COME! FOLLOW ME INTO A BOWIE NEW WORLD. MY PEOPLE--

AND, AT THE SANCTUM SANCTORUM...

BEFORE WE CAN ACT AGAINST THE RAJAH EFFECTIVELY, WE MUST DETERMINE WHY THE RED GUARDIAN FELL UNDER HIS SPELL, WHILE WE DID NOT!

MAYBE IT'S HER COMRADESHIP MENTALITY!

MY EX-HUSBY BUZZ USED TO SAY--

HELLCAT, PLEASE REFRAIN FROM MAKING ABSURD JUDGEMENTS BASED ON NATIONALITY. AN INDIVIDUAL'S SOCIAL SYMPATHIES DO NOT NECESSARILY MAKE HER AN EASY SUBJECT FOR MIND CONTROL--DESPITE WHAT YOUR EX-HUSBAND USED TO SAY!

TRUE, MY COMRADE. HOWEVER, PERHAPS THE HELLCAT'S CONVICTION MAYBE IDEA IS NOT ENTIRELY WITHOUT MERIT.

THE RED RAJAH ADVOCATES COLLECTIVE CONSCIOUSNESS. PERHAPS THIS MYSTIC PERSUASION WAS ABLE TO ENKIN IN ME A STRONG SUBCONSCIOUS SYMPATHY FOR HIS DECEPTIVELY LOGICAL PHILOSOPHY.

AN INTERESTING THEORY, TANIA...

...AND SINCE MY OWN RATHER STRONG PERSONALITY WAS CREATED ENTIRELY BY THE ENCHANTRESS, I HAVE NO SUCH AGENCIES INQUIRED IN MY CHARACTER.

BUT WHAT ABOUT ME?

DID YOU NOT SAY THAT MOONDRAWN HAD BEGUN TEACHING YOU THE SECRETS OF THE MIND?

PERHAPS YOUR BRAIN SOMEHOW SHIELDED ITSELF.

STILL THERE ARE TOO MANY UNANSWERED QUESTIONS--AS DR. BELINSKY MENTIONED. THIS MESSAGE IS ESSENTIALLY MYSTICAL IN NATURE.

AND THOUGH THE ABSENT DR. STRANGE IS SENAR SUNDAR, HERE HE IS NOT THE ONLY RESIDENT MAGE.

I WILL SUMMON CLEA.

CLEA, SINCE LEARNING OF THE DISAPPEARANCE OF HER BELOVED MENTOR, SHE HAS BEEN IN A TORMENT, SEEKING TO ESTABLISH CONTACT WITH HIM...

EVEN THE DESTRUCTIVE RAMMAGE OF A DISTRAUGHT MULK WAS UNABLE TO SUNDER HER INTENSE CONCENTRATION.

CLEA?

THUS, IT IS UNLIKELY THAT THE URGENT, YET SOFTLY SPOKEN UTTERANCE OF THE VALKYRIE SHOULD ENKIN HER TRANCE.

UNLESS, CLEA WAS ON THE VERGE...

...OF AWAKENING!

YOU NEED NOT VOICE THE QUESTIONS OCCASIONED BY YOUR RECENT BATTLE WITH THE RED RAJAH, VALKYRIE.

BUT HOW CAN YOU KNOW--? YOU HAVE BEEN ATTEMPTING TO LOCATE STEPHEN!

AYE! AND MY PSYCHIC SEARCH HAS YIELDED THE ANSWER-- FOR THE RED RAJAH IS, IN ACTUALITY, DR. STRANGE!

SPEAKING OF THAT RATHER FLAMBOYANT AND AMBIGUOUS INFLUENTIAL FIGURE...

ATTEND ME, MY APOPLEXIC!

YOU MUST GO DEEP AND SPREAD THE PSYCHIC GENUINITY OF THE SHINESPIRIT THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE WORLD!

BEHOLD BLISS!

ATTUNED TO THE COSMIC CALM OR THE SCATTERED STAR, EACH OF YOU SHALL EXERT INFLUENCE EQUAL TO MINE--

--FOR YOUR BRAINWAVE SHALL BE CHANNELLED THROUGH ME, AMPLIFIED MYSTICALLY, UNTIL ALL HUMANITY IS IN COMPLETE MENTAL HARMONY!

HAUT! THAT SOUND -- LIKE GREAT WINGS SUDDENLY BEATING THE AIR ABOVE ME--!





AND, AS THE PHYSICAL STRUGGLE CONTINUES...



...THE CONFLICT OF THE MIND ESCALATES. DR. STRANGE... THOUGH STILL DEEPLY SUBMERGED IN THE WILL OF THE STAR OF CAPTIVISM... HAS FELT THE GENTLE PROSS OF HIS BELOVED AND STRUGGLES WITH HIS OWN STRENGTH OF WILL TO REESTABLISH CONTACT.



NEXT: SHOCKS IN STORE FOR THE DEFENDERS!

HAVE A HAPPY CHRISTMAS... WITH MARVEL'S WINTER SPECIALS!



SPIDER-MAN

You raved over the Spidey Summer Special. . . but just wait till you see what we've cooked up this winter for old web-head A fantastic 33 page epic tale of the Watcher, who shows us 3 alternative worlds — where someone else became Spider-Man! And just look who the 3 were who took the radioactive spider bite. . . JJJ's son John Jameson, Betty Brant and Flash Thompson! Also inside: A look back at Britain's Spidey comic over the last 6 years — its stars and its changes, how Stan & Johnny Romita produce the Spidey Newspaper Strip, how Stan and Steve Ditko created Spider-Man, plans of Peter Parker's pad, his office and university grounds, plus more, more more! 52 huge pages!

Only 40p!

FRANTIC

You pleaded for more. . . you begged for more! You must be mad, or crazy, or even — — FRANTIC! Yes, we've dished up a second helping of Marvel's madcap mag of hectic humour. This time around featuring our look at: Battlestar Galactica, The Silver Surfer, Fantasy Island, The Waltons, Santa Claus, plus the inimitable HOWARD THE DUCK!

52 average size pages!

A steal at 40p!

STAR HEROES

When we had to pull The Micronauts out of Star Wars Weekly there was such a hue and cry, we started coming into the office in disguise. . . in fear of our lives! Well, they're back! In the pages of our latest 'pilot' project, Star Heroes. And just look at the company they're keeping. . . none other than the heroes and villains of BATTLESTAR GALACTICA! What more could any science-fiction loving Marvelite ask for? 52 spaced-out pages

Only 40p!

SUPERHERO FUN AND GAMES

Everyone seems puzzle-crazy these days! But rather than mix puzzles in with our regular mags, we've put together a whole cover to cover package of them! And, better yet, they're all based around your fun-loving favourite Marvel superheroes! Test your knowledge of the mighty Marvel universe of characters as you try to beat Howard the Duck, Spidey, Iron Man, Ms Marvel, Iron Fist, Ka-Zar, and everyone! Plus special feature pages on how to draw Hulk, Spidey and a brand new character is introduced . . . PUZZLEMASTER! 36 befuddling pages

Only 25p!

... GRAB THEM WHILE THEY'RE AROUND, TIGERS!

THEY'RE ALL ON SALE NOW! DON'T MISS 'EM!